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Applicant: SHUICHI KANNO ET AL.  
Serial No.: 09/005,006 Group Art Unit: 1754  
Filed: JANUARY 9, 1998 Examiner: N. NGUYEN  
Title: PROCESS FOR TREATING FLUORINE COMPOUND-  
CONTAINING GAS

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(d)**

Attorney Docket No.: 381AS/50311TR  
Prior Appln. Ser. No.: 09/005,006  
Filed: January 9, 1998  
Inventor(s): Shuichi KANNO et al.  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a X continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(d) of the prior application identified above.

The above-identified prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use the prior application file jacket and all the contents of the prior application, including the specification, drawings, and oath or declaration as the basic papers for the new application.

1. Please enter the unentered amendment previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 37 CFR 1.116, in the prior application.
- X 2. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

- \_\_\_ 3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application:
- a. \_\_\_ Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application: \_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
- \_\_\_ 4. A new Power of Attorney is enclosed.
- \_\_\_ 5. Small entity status:
- a. \_\_\_ A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. \_\_\_ A statement of small entity status was filed on \_\_\_ in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.
- c. \_\_\_ Is no longer claimed.
- X 6. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 1 and 2 above:

**CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS  
CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Basic Fee					<u>\$370</u>	<u>\$740.00</u>
Total Claims	<u>17</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>0</u> x 9 = \$	18 = \$
Ind. Claims	<u>2</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>0</u> x 42 = \$	84 = \$
Multiple Dependent Claims		+		=	140 = \$	280 = \$
Total					\$	\$ 740.00

- \_\_\_ 7. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #\_\_\_) in the amount of \$\_\_\_.
- X 8. A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- X 9. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or

credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323  
(Docket #381AS/50311TR).

- X 10. Priority of Appln. Nos. 09-004349 and 09-163717,  
filed in Japan on 14 January 1997 and 20 June 1997,  
respectively, are hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- X 11. A certified copy of each said priority document was  
filed in application Serial No. 09/005,006 on July  
26, 1999.
12. The prior application is assigned of record to  
Hitachi, Ltd..
- X 13. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:
- Herbert I. Cantor, Reg. No. 24,392; James F. McKeown,  
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- X a. The power appears in the original  
application papers in the prior application.
- b. Since the power does not appear in the  
original application papers, a copy of the  
power in the prior application is enclosed.
- c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental  
Declaration which was filed in the prior  
application to overcome informalities.
- X d. Address all future correspondence to:
- CROWELL & MORING, L.L.P.  
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14. Return Receipt Postcard.
15. Other \_\_\_\_\_

It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. 122 is hereby  
waived to the extent that if information or access is available  
to any one of the applications in the file wrapper of a 37 CFR  
1.53(d) application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.14, be it either this  
application or a prior application in the same file wrapper, the

Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file wrapper.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 in parent application Serial No. 09/005,006, filed January 9, 1998. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this new Rule 53(d) application, including extension of time fees in the parent application, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381AS/50311TR), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

August 9, 2002

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'W Jackson Matney, Jr.', is written over a horizontal line.

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